of the United States residing in the valley of the northwestern lakes, in favor of a measure to acquire the
right to the navigation of the St. Lawrence; which was
referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. KING presented the memorial of the heirs of Richard Barry, asking indemnity for French spoliations prior
to 1890; which was referred to the select committee.

Mr. UNDERWOOD presented a memorial, adopted at
a meeting of officers and soldiers in the late war with
Great Britain, held at Richmond, in the State of Kentucky, asking that those who served in that war may be
allowed bounty lands; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

PAPERS WITHDRAWN FROM FILES.

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JONES, from the Committee on Pensions, to was referred the petition of John Mitchell for an se of pension, submitted a report, which was or-to be printed, accompanied by a bill for the further of John Mitchell; which was read, and ordered to

A message was received from the House of Represent-atives, announcing the concurrence of that body in the Senate resolution relative to the election of Chaplains to Congress, and the election, as Chaplain of the said House, of the Rev. R. R. Gurley.

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Mr. YULEE inquired whether the regular business of the morning hour was not the consideration of the resolutions upon the calendar?

Mr. KING suggested that this was only a bill to go to its third reading, so as to send it to the other House.

Mr. YULEE inquired whether it would not be necessary to postpone the other business, in order to conside

The VICE PRESIDENT stated that this bill was now regularly before the Senate.

Mr. YULEE said that, as the senator from Alabama [Mr. Kino] had objected to the consideration of reselutions when offered, the only way to reach them was to devote the morning hour to them.

Mr. KING replied that the senator from Florida had minunderstood him. He had objected to the consideration of the resolutions when offered, because he consideration of the resolutions when offered, because he consideration they upone of examination than to pass them without a knowledge of their character, thus perhaps subjecting the officers and clerks of the departments to an immense and unnecessary labor to get information of little value. This bill was in its regular order, and he did not understand the senator from Florida to object to the transaction of business in the regular order.

Mr. YULEE observed that his objection was simply that it did not, as he conceived, come up in the regular order, but that the regular order would be the consideration of the resolutions upon the calendar.

The VICE PRESIDENT considered this bill as the regular order.

Mr. YULEE would submit to the decision of the

The question being taken upon the motion, it was agreed to.

The VICE PRESIDENT stated that the unfinished business, the consideration of the resolution offered by the senator from Michigan, [Mr. Cass.] upon the suspension of diplomatic relations with Austria, had the preference under the rule.

Mr. FOOTE stated that the senator from Georgia [Mr. Branzes] had the floor upon this resolution; but, with the consent of that senators, he would, at this moment, of ar an amendment to the resetution of the senator from Michigan, so that the amendment might be before the Senate. Before the amendment was submitted, however, Mr. DAVIS, of Measuchusetts, addressed the Chair, but gave way for the moment to

The VICE PRESIDENT. Does the senator from Massachusetts make a motion to take up the census

over the orders of the day, it was agreed to.

THE SEVENTH CENSUS.

Mr. DAVIS then moved that the Senate proceed to the consideration of the bill providing for taking the seventh census of the United States; which motion was agreed to.

The Senate accordingly, as in committee of the whole, proceeded to the consideration of said bill; which was read.

Mr. BORLAND. I propose to amend the twentieth section of this bill by adding at its close what I will send to the Chair.

Mr. DAWSON. I propose to amend the first section in the tenth line by striking out—

The VICE PRESIDENT. The senator from Arkansas has the floor.

Mr. DAWSON. I think my amendment is in order, being an amendment to the first section. I suppose amendments to prior sections take precedence.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Does the senator from Arkansas give the precedence to the senator from Georgia?

Mr. BORLAND. If the senator wishes to make an amendment.

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Mr. Dorkand. I propose an amendment to the first section of the bill. I move to strike out in the tenth line the word "annexed," and insert "prepared by the census hoard." The law under which this board acted was passed the 3d of March, 1849, and said,
"That the Secretary of Srate, the Attorney General, and the Postmaster General, shall constitute a board to be styled the census board; that it shall be the duty of the said board to prepare and cause to be printed such forms and schedules as may be necessary for the full enumeration of the United States; and also proper forms and

the duty of the persons taking the enumeration and the statistics might be plain and easy, and the facts set down in a certain form, that there might be no mistake. It has not been done without labor and consideration. The committee have bestowed upon it their best efforts. They all worked upon it without exception, and laboriously. They are all satisfied with that set of tables, and see no good reasons, after a report has been made, why a set of tables, that they have never seen, should now come in and supplant tables they have made out with so much care—more especially when their tables are superior to those that are offered in their stead.

Mr. DAWSON. There is but very little difference between the two tables presented—those of the committee, and those of the board. Now, I would state a fact to the Senate—which I presume is known to the chairman of the committee—that the board, constituted by a law of the last session of Congress, have discharged the duties imposed upon them, and have already entered into a contract, and expended nine out of the ten thousand dollars, to purchase and prepare the papers, and have everything ready to go immediately to work in taking the census. I understand that paper has been purchased in Philadelphia, and was to have arrived here to-day, according to the plan of that board. The mere change of a head in the form and manner of taking the census pute aside the necessity of getting that paper, and renders it impossible to use it.

Mr. DAVIS, of Massachusetts. Will the honorable senator allow me to ask whether there has been any printing done upon this paper?

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gentlemen composing the census band this is the first paper that I have ever seen, certified to have been the official act on the part of the census board in reference to this subject. This was shown to me yesterday, or day before, by the chairman of the committee.

Mr. DAVIS, of Massachusetts. And delivered to me since our details and tables have been printed.

Mr. UNDERWOOD. The gentleman says it was given to him since the committee's tables were printed. Now, sir, I have no sort of feeling about this matter. I only want the Senate to take that set of tables which will answer the purpose of the country best, and I am entirely willing to have either taken. But the honorable senator from Georgia is entirely mistaken if he supposes, as I think he does, that those certified by the census board are more extensive in their operations than those framed by the committee. I believe that they are less no. I think it will be found upon examining our tables that milk, butter, cheese, fatted cattle, and all that, are embraced.

Mr. DAWSON. The aggregate quantity sold, but not the number raised.